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**EQUATORIAL GUINEA'S PRESIDENT SEEKS CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT ON
PRESIDENTIAL TERM OF OFFICE**

MALABO (March 28, 2011) – President Obiang Nguema Mbasogo of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea invited all of the nation's legally constituted political parties to enter discussion on constitutional changes, including one that would limit the President to two four-year terms of office.

President Obiang also discussed the need to create a Senate, which would convert the nation's Parliament from a unicameral to a bicameral legislature, and to establish control mechanisms to prevent corruption.

President Obiang discussed these changes in the context of "Democratic Experiment," his program to systematically and progressively pursue greater democracy and pluralism as the nation develops. At the opening session of the Parliament last week, he urged legislators to work "to reform the legal system as a means of ensuring and protecting the rights of citizens."

About Equatorial Guinea

The Republic of Equatorial Guinea (República de Guinea Ecuatorial) is the only Spanish-speaking country in Africa, and one of the smallest nations on the continent. In the late-1990s, American companies helped discover the country's oil and natural gas resources, which only within the last five years began contributing to the global energy supply. Equatorial Guinea is now working to serve as a pillar of stability and security in its region of West Central Africa. The country will host the 2011 Summit of the African Union. For more information, visit <http://www.guineaequatorialpress.com>.

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